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APPENDIX A

Brief Description of the Department of State's Program for the Procurement of Maps and Geographic Information

The Department of State directs a coordinated program for the procurement of foreign maps and geographic information through the facilities of the U. S. Foreign Service. The Department's Special Assistant for Maps provides detailed instructions, on a continuing basis, to Geographic Attaches conducting procurement activities within broad regional assignments. These instructions reflect the coordinated requirements of several mapping agencies (the Army Map Service, Aeronautical Chart Service, Navy Hydrographic Office, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, U. S. Geological Survey), the Government's intelligence organizations and the Library of Congress for copies of published maps, gazetteers, atlases and related materials, and also for copies of manuscript maps pertaining to economic, political and social planning and development. In addition to other duties, these Attaches negotiate map exchange arrangements with foreign mapping organizations in which the Department of State assumes responsibility for fulfillment of U. S. commitments through the cooperation of U. S. Government agencies participating in this program. They also report to the Department on the organization, current activities, programs, facilities and key personnel of primary mapping and geographic research agencies of countries within their areas of responsibility and on commercial and official air photography for mapping undertaken within these areas. Their field activities are closely coordinated with the offices of the Service Attaches at the various U. S. missions. The resulting reports are made available to the Central Intelligence Agency and the Military Services.

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